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In April 1993, after 20 years of publication as primarily a series of monographs, *Environmental Health Perspectives (EHP)* underwent significant changes. The journal was reborn as a monthly publication together with a series of supplements. The *EHP* monthly issues present cutting-edge research articles as well as a forum for the discussion of environmental issues and the presentation of news. The series of supplements continues the *EHP* tradition of publishing monographs based on critical environmental issues and conference proceedings as well as an annual review of environmental health.

In our continuing effort to improve the journal we are expanding the size and scope of our annual review issue. The objectives of the review articles have not changed, i.e., to summarize new developments in environmentally relevant areas, to provide a perspective for these new findings, and to provide sufficient background information for those not familiar with the specific topic. The current annual review issue has twelve

review articles covering topics ranging from new developments in computational chemistry to the toxicology of chlorofluorocarbon replacements. We intend to further expand the review issue in future years.

In the first anniversary issue of the new *EHP* our editors-in-chief "...rededicate(d) this journal to the communication of science and information leading to understanding and rational decision making, the preservation of the environment, and improvements in the quality of life for all inhabitants of the earth." In the current expanded annual review issue we have tried to provide information to encourage our readership to reach beyond their own scientific specialties and expand their depth and breadth of knowledge. It is our belief that cross-fertilization between scientific disciplines is critical in the continuing development of our understanding of the impact of the environment on human health.